

A RESOLUTION OF THE LODI CITY COUNCIL OPPOSING
DEVELOPMENT OF A PERIPHERAL CANAL AND EXPANSION
OF STATE AUTHORITY OVER LOCAL LAND-USE DECISIONS

WHEREAS, Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger established the Delta Vision Commission, a Blue Ribbon Task Force and Stakeholder Coordination Group, to develop a Delta vision and strategic plan; and

WHEREAS, this effort has revived and calls for studies, modeling, investigations, and potential development of an isolated water conveyance facility such as the Peripheral Canal, singularly or as part of a dual conveyance system; and

WHEREAS, voters of the State of California in 1982 rejected an attempt to build a Peripheral Canal to transport water from the Delta to Southern California; and

WHEREAS, the construction and operation of a Peripheral Canal, or a similar facility, would require the taking of prime agricultural land for the construction of canal that would sever and impair utilities and local road systems, create significant new flood dangers to agricultural lands and City of Lodi and Northern California Power Agency facilities at the White Slough Water Pollution Control Facility, affect the water rights of water users within San Joaquin County, impair Delta water quality and supply, and impair the protection of fish, wildlife, and other recreational resources within San Joaquin County; and

WHEREAS, more viable alternatives to the Peripheral Canal exist; and

WHEREAS, the State Legislature is considering new laws to place greater control of the Delta in the hands of State bodies that would increase State oversight and restrict existing land-use authority of local agencies.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Lodi City Council that the City of Lodi opposes the development of a Peripheral Canal or isolated water conveyance system and opposes the expansion of State authority over local land-use decisions.

Date: September 16, 2009


I hereby certify that Resolution No. 2009-127 was passed and adopted by the Lodi City Council in a regular meeting held September 16, 2009, by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS – Hitchcock, Johnson, Katzakian, Mounce, and Mayor Hansen

NOES: COUNCIL MEMBERS – None

ABSENT: COUNCIL MEMBERS – None

ABSTAIN: COUNCIL MEMBERS – None


RANDI JOEHL
City Clerk